

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman Walter McNutt, on April 4, 2007 at 3:15 P.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Walter McNutt, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Ron Erickson, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Ralph Heinert, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)  
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)  
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)  
Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R)  
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)  
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)  
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)  
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Duane Ankney (R)  
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)  
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)  
Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch  
Nancy Kraft, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: None  
Executive Action: SB 376; SB 446; SB 452

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 376**

00:01:14 **Motion:** Rep. Erickson moved that SB 376 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:01:26 Rep. Erickson

00:02:07 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Ankney, Barrett, Dickenson, McNutt, and Small-Eastman voted by proxy. Rep. Heinert will carry the bill

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 446**

00:03:06 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Erickson moved that SB 446 **BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Ankney, Barrett, Dickenson, McNutt, and Small-Eastman voted by proxy. Rep. Cohenour will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 452**

00:04:19 **Motion:** Rep. Erickson moved that SB 452 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:04:37 Rep. Hendrick

00:05:28 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mendenhall made a substitute motion that SB 452 **BE TABLED.** Substitute motion carried 9-7 by roll call vote with Reps. Cohenour, Dickenson, Erickson, Hands, Pomnichowski, Small-Eastman, and Van Dyk voting no. Reps. Ankney, Barrett, Dickenson, and Small-Eastman voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

00:07:14 Adjournment: 3:30 P.M.

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REP. WALTER MCNUTT, Chairman

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NANCY KRAFT, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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